

MINUTES

MEETING OF: CARLSBAD ARTS COMMISSION
DATE OF MEETING: Thursday, Nov. 17, 2016
PLACE OF MEETING: Carlsbad City Library Learning Center
3368 Eureka Pl
Carlsbad, CA

CALL TO ORDER:

Vice Chair Joan Markovits called the meeting to order at 9:08 a.m.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Commissioners Barker, Breslaw, Jadhav, Markovits, Schmidt & White
Absent: Alter
Staff: Library & Cultural Arts Director Heather Pizzuto; Community Arts
Coordinator Megan Gilby

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes of the Oct. 6, 2016 meeting were approved. (4-0-1-2)

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Community Arts Grants-

Community Arts Coordinator Megan Gilby updated the commissioners on the Community Arts Grants and the initial evaluation by the Community Arts Grants Panel for awarding grand funds to non-profit projects and art in schools in 2017. A total of 8 schools and 11 non-profit organizations are proposed to receive 2017 grants.

TGIF Mission & Vision Statement-

Community Arts Coordinator Gilby reviewed the goals for TGIF Concerts in the Park and the range of factors that go into selection of musical talent. The commissioners were given the opportunity to review and provide feedback on the draft TGIF Mission & Vision statement. Commissioners suggested that the document be dated as a way of setting historic perspective for those reading the document over time and discussed referencing the Carlsbad Friends of the Arts (CFA) as a key partner in the success of concert series. It was determined that CFA is acknowledged in documents distributed with the Mission & Vision statement. Commissioners expressed support for the proposed wording - "danceable" and "family friendly" - as providing

sufficient clarification to guide music and talent selection from a mission and vision standpoint, understanding that a number of other factors help to determine the final selection.

CHAIR'S REPORT

Vice Chair Markovits thanked Library & Cultural Arts Director Pizzuto for the opportunity to meet the applicants for the cultural arts manager position. Commissioner Markovits announced the opening of the current exhibition *Cabinets of Curiosity*. The commissioners discussed how various tastes in art allow the viewer to experience life and art in different ways and lead to conversation and discussion. The commissioners discussed their desire to have larger and more comfortable benches in the gallery to give people the opportunity to sit and reflect upon the art.

LIBRARY & CULTURAL ARTS DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Artist Jenna Didier presented draft concept designs to the Public Art Advisory Committee in October, and received feedback to refine the design. A second community engagement event is scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 3, 2016. Event information is being distributed through general release as well as targeted to area residents.

The city has posted the Request for Proposal (RFP) for TGIF Concerts in the Park producer and responses are due Dec. 5, 2016.

300 People attended the opening reception on Oct. 27, 2016 for *Cabinet of Curiosities* and the response has been very positive. The exhibition will continue through Jan. 8, 2017.

The partnership with Leo Carrillo Ranch History & Art program is going well and the program is fully subscribed.

FRIENDS OF THE ARTS REPORT

None

COMMISSION COMMENTS

Commissioners reported on various arts experiences available and recommended in the region. Commissioner White reported that New Village Arts will present *The 1940s Radio Hour* beginning Dec. 6. He invited all to attend the Valentine's Gala on Feb. 11. New Village Arts is a recipient of Community Arts Grant funding.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chair Markovits adjourned the meeting at 10:15 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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